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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

IN RE: PET FOOD PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

Civil Action No. 07-2867 (NLH)

MDL DOCKET NO. 1850

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

ALL CASES

**DECLARATION OF** SHERRI R. SAVETT REGARDING **MAJORITY PLAINTIFFS' MOTION** FOR APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM CO-LEAD AND LIAISON COUNSEL PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 23(G)

Date: September 26, 2007

Time: 11:00 a.m. Courtroom: 3A.

The Honorable Noel L. Hillman

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Sherrie R. Savett, hereby declare:

- 1. My name is Sherrie R. Savett.
- 2. I am over twenty-one years of age, and am fully competent to make the statements contained in this Declaration. I have personal knowledge of the matters set forth herein, and if called upon to testify, would be competent to do so.
- 3. I am a member of the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and I am a senior shareholder of Berger & Montague, P.C. Berger & Montague has decades of complex litigation experience and is widely recognized as a leading firm in the class action field, with significant skill and success in class action litigation nationwide. Our firm has a proven expertise in managing multidistrict class action litigation, handling such litigation efficiently, tenaciously and often in successful collaboration with co-counsel.

- 4. Berger & Montague, P.C. is counsel for the named plaintiffs in the following actions now pending before this court and consolidated into the above-captioned action:
  - (a) Jared Workman, Mark and Mona Cohen, et al. v. Menu Foods, Inc., et al., No. 07-CV-1338;
  - (b) Peggy Schneider, et al. v. Menu Foods, Inc., et al., No. 07-CV-1533;
  - (c) Chantelle Conti and Cheri Cutler, et al. v. Menu Foods, Inc., et al., No. 07-CV-1638; and
  - (d) Lynne Carestio, et al. v. Menu Foods, Inc., et al., No. 07-CV-1762

Our clients Workman and Cohen were the first to file in the District of New Jersey.

- 5. I submit this declaration in support of Majority Plaintiffs' Motion for Appointment of Interim Lead Co-Lead Counsel and Liaison Counsel pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(g). My firm has been actively involved in this litigation since the first cases were filed concerning the Pet Food Recall. Berger & Montague has played an important role in organizing the majority of over 100 plaintiffs' firms to work together and to obtain significant protections for putative class members.
- 6. Attached to this declaration as **Exhibit A** is a true and correct copy of Berger & Montague's firm resume. Berger & Montague is fully prepared and able to dedicate whatever resources are necessary to bring this litigation to a successful resolution on behalf of the class.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: September 5, 2007

Sherrie R. Sávett

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# EXHIBIT A

# BERGER & MONTAGUE, P.C.

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# THE FIRM:

Berger & Montague has been engaged in the practice of complex and class action litigation from its Center City Philadelphia office for over 35 years. The firm has been recognized by courts throughout the country for its ability and experience in handling major complex litigation, particularly in the fields of securities, antitrust, mass torts, civil and human rights, and consumer litigation. In numerous precedent-setting cases, the Berger firm has played a principal or lead role. The firm has achieved the highest possible rating by its peers and opponents as reported in Martindale-Hubbell. Currently, the firm consists of 66 lawyers, approximately half of whom are engaged full-time in securities litigation; 18 paralegals; several professional investigators; and an experienced support staff.

Berger & Montague was founded in1970 by the late David Berger to concentrate on the representation of plaintiffs in a series of antitrust class actions. David Berger pioneered the use of class actions in antitrust litigation and was instrumental in extending the use of the class action procedure to other litigation areas, including securities, employment discrimination, civil and human rights, and mass torts. The firm's complement of nationally recognized lawyers has represented both plaintiffs and defendants in these and other areas, and has recovered billions of dollars for its clients. In complex litigation, particularly in areas of class action litigation, Berger & Montague has established new law and forged the path for recovery for victims of fraud and other wrongdoing.

The firm has been involved in a series of notable cases, some of them among the most important in the last 35 years of civil litigation. For example, the firm was one of the principal counsel for plaintiffs in the Drexel Burnham Lambert/Michael Milken securities and bankruptcy litigation. Claimants in these cases recovered approximately \$2 billion in the aftermath of the collapse of the junk bond market and the bankruptcy of Drexel in the late 1980's. The firm was also among the principal counsel engaged in the trial of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill in Anchorage, Alaska, a trial resulting in a record punitive damages award of \$5 billion against Exxon. Berger & Montague was

lead counsel in the School Asbestos Litigation, in which a national class of secondary and elementary schools recovered in excess of \$300 million to defray the costs of asbestos abatement. The case was the first mass tort property damage class action certified on a national basis.

In the area of securities litigation, the firm has represented public institutional investors - such as the retirement funds for the States of Pennsylvania, Connecticut, New Hampshire, New Jersey and Louisiana, as well as the City of Philadelphia and numerous individual investors and private institutional investors. The firm was co-lead counsel in the Melridge Securities Litigation in the Federal District Court in Oregon, in which an \$88.2 million jury verdict was obtained. Berger and Montague has served as lead counsel in numerous other major class action cases, including those against Waste Management (settlement for investors of \$220 million) and Rite Aid (settlements totalling \$334 million), to name only two of the most notable successes.

In addition to its distinction in securities litigation, the firm has served as lead or co-lead counsel on many of the most significant civil antitrust cases over the last 30 years, including In re Corrugated Container Antitrust Litigation (recovery in excess of \$366 million), the Infant Formula case (recovery of \$125 million), and the Retail Drug price fixing case (settlement of more than \$700 million). More recently, the firm, through its membership on the litigation Executive Committee, helped to achieve a \$1.25 billion settlement with the largest Swiss banks on behalf of victims of Nazi aggression whose deposits were not returned after the Second World War. The firm has also played an instrumental role in bringing about a \$4.37 billion settlement with German industry and government for the use of slave and forced labor during the Holocaust.

The National Law Journal in October, 2005 selected Berger & Montague as one of the 12 top plaintiffs' litigation firms in the U.S. based on its most recent performance and its track record of successes in the last 3-to-5 year period.

# PROMINENT JUDGMENTS AND SETTLEMENTS

The success of Berger & Montague in prosecuting class actions and other complex litigation is best demonstrated by the firm's significant results for its clients. The following is a partial list of some of the more notable judgments and settlements from the past few years:

## Securities Litigation

In re CIGNA Corp. Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a settlement of \$93 million for the benefit of the class. (Master File No. 2:02-CV-8088 (E.D. Pa. 2007)).

In re Fleming Companies, Inc. Securities Litigation: The firm, as lead counsel, obtained a class settlement of \$94 million for the benefit of the class. (Civil Action No. 5-03-MD-1530 (TJW) (E.D. Tex. 2005)).

In re Xcel Energy Inc. Securities, Derivative & "ERISA" Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel in the Securities Actions, obtained a cash settlement of \$80 million on behalf of investors against Xcel Energy and certain of its officers and directors. (Civil Action No. 02-2677 (DSD/FLN) (D. Minn. 2005)).

In re Campbell Soup Co. Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a settlement of \$35 million for the benefit of the class. (Civil Action No. 00 152 (JEI) (D.N.J.2004)).

In re Premiere Technologies, Inc. Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtaineda class settlement of over \$20 million in combination of cash and common stock. (Civil Action No.1:98-CV-1804-JOF (N.D. Ga. 2002)).

In re: PSINet, Inc., Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a settlement of \$17.83 million on behalf of investors. (Civ. No. 00-1850-A (E.D. Va. 2003)).

In re Safety-Kleen Corp. Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a class settlement in the amount of \$45 million against Safety-Kleen's outside accounting firm and certain of the Company's officers and directors. The final settlement was obtained 2 business days before the trial was to commence. (C.A. No. 3:00-CV-736-17 (D.S.C. 2001)).

Emil Rossdeutscher and Dennis Kelly v. Viacom: The firm, as lead counsel, obtained a settlement resulting in a fund of \$14.25 million for the class (C.A. No. 98C-03-091 (JEB) (Del. Super. 2002)).

Silver v. UICI: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a settlement resulting in a fund of \$16 million for the class. (No. 3:99 CV 2860-L (N.D. Tex. 2003)).

In re Alcatel Alsthom Securities Litigation: In 2001, the firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a class settlement for investors of \$75 million cash. (MDL Docket No. 1263 (PNB) (E.D. Tex. 2001)).

In re Rite Aid Corp. Securities Litigation: The firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained settlements totalling \$334 million against Rite Aid's outside accounting firm and certain of the company's former officers (99 CV 1349 (E.D. Pa. 2001)).

In re Sunbeam Inc. Securities Litigation: As co-lead counsel, the firm obtained a settlement on behalf of investors of \$141 million in the action against Sunbeam's outside accounting firm and Sunbeam's officers. (98 CV 8258 (S.D. Fla. 2001)).

In re Waste Management, Inc. Securities Litigation: In 1999, the firm, as co-lead counsel, obtained a class settlement for investors of \$220 million cash which included a settlement against Waste Management's outside accountants. (97 CV 7709 (N.D. III. 2000)).

In re IKON Office Solutions Inc. Securities Litigation: The firm, serving as both co-lead and liaison counsel, obtained a cash settlement of \$111 million in an action on behalf of investors against IKON and certain of its officers. (MDL Dkt. No. 1318 (E.D. Pa. 2000)).

In re Melridge Securities Litigation: The firm served as lead counsel and co-trial counsel for a class of purchasers of Melridge common stock and convertible debentures. A four-month jury trial yielded a verdict in plaintiffs' favor for \$88.2 million, and judgment was entered on RICO claims against certain defendants for \$239 million. The court approved settlements totaling \$55.4 million. (CV-87-1426 FR (D. Ore. 1998)).

Walco Investments, Inc. et al. v. Kenneth Thenen, et al. (Premium Sales): The firm, as a member of the Plaintiffs' Steering Committee, obtained settlements of \$141 million for investors victimized by a Ponzi scheme. (Reported at: 881 F. Supp. 1576 (S.D. Fla. 1995); 168 F.R.D. 315 (S.D. Fla. 1996); 947 F. Supp. 491 (S.D. Fla. 1996)).

In re The Drexel Burnham Lambert Group, Inc.: The firm was appointed co-counsel for a mandatory non-opt-out class consisting of all claimants who had filed billions of dollars in securities litigation-related proofs of claim against The Drexel Burnham Lambert Group, Inc. and/or its subsidiaries. Settlements in excess of \$2.0 billion were approved in August 1991 and became effective upon consummation of Drexel's Plan of Reorganization on April 30, 1992. (90 Civ. 6954) (MP), Chapter 11, Case No. 90 B 10421 (FGC), Jointly Administered, reported at, inter alia, 960 F.2d 285 (2d Cir. 1992), cert. dismissed, 506 U.S. 1088 (1993) ("Drexel I") and 995 F.2d 1138 (2d Cir. 1993) ("Drexel II")).

In re Michael Milken and Associates Securities Litigation: As court-appointed liaison counsel, the firm was one of four lead counsel who structured the \$1.3 billion "global" settlement of all claims pending against Michael R. Milken, over 200 present and former officers and directors of Drexel Burnham Lambert, and more than 350 Drexel/Milken-related entities. (MDL Dkt. No. 924, M21-62-MP (S.D.N.Y.1993)).

RJR Nabisco Securities Litigation: In this action, Berger & Montague represented individuals who sold RJR Nabisco securities prior to the announcement of a corporate change of control. This securities case settled for \$72 million. (88 Civ. 7905 MBM (S.D.N.Y. 1992)).

#### Antitrust Litigation

In re High Fructose Corn Syrup Antitrust Litigation: Berger & Montague was one of three colead counsel in this nationwide class action alleging a conspiracy to allocate volumes and customers and to price-fix among five producers of high fructose corn syrup. After nine years of litigation, including four appeals, the case was settled on the eve of trial for \$531 million. (MDL. No. 1087 and Master File No. 95-1477 (C.D. Ill. 2004)).

In re Linerboard Antitrust Litigation: Berger & Montague was one of a small group of courtappointed executive committee members who led this nationwide class action against producers of linerboard. The complaint alleged that the defendants conspired to reduce production of

linerboard in order to increase the price of linerboard and corrugated boxes made therefrom. At the close of discovery, the case was settled for more than \$200 million. (98 Civ. 5055 and 99-1341 (E.D. Pa. 2003)).

In re Relafen Antitrust Litigation: Berger & Montague was one of a small group of firms who prepared for the trial of this nationwide class action against GlaxoSmithKline, which was alleged to have used fraudulently-procured patents to block competitors from marketing less-expensive generic versions of its popular nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug, Relafen (nabumetone). Just before trial, the case was settled for \$175 million. (No. 01-12239-WGY (D. Mass. 2003)).

State of Connecticut Tobacco Litigation: Berger & Montague was one of three firms to represent the State of Connecticut in a separate action in state court against the tobacco companies. The case was litigated separate from the coordinated nationwide actions. Although eventually Connecticut joined the national settlement, its counsel's contributions were recognized by being awarded the fifth largest award among the states from the fifty states' Strategic Contribution Fund.

In re Graphite Electrodes Antitrust Litigation: Berger & Montague was one of the four co-lead counsel in a nationwide class action price-fixing case. The case eventually settled in excess of \$130 million. (02 Civ. 99-482 (E.D. Pa. 2003)).

In re Buspirone Antitrust Litigation: The firm served on the court-appointed steering committee in this class action, representing a class of primarily pharmaceutical wholesalers and resellers. The Buspirone class action alleged that pharmaceutical manufacturer BMS engaged in a pattern of illegal conduct surrounding its popular anti-anxiety medication, Buspar, namely, paying a competitor to refrain from marketing a generic version of Buspar; improperly listing a patent with the FDA; and wrongfully prosecuting patent infringement actions against generic competitors to Buspar. On April 11, 2003, the Court finally approved a \$220 million settlement. (MDL No. 1410 (S.D.N.Y. 2003)).

In re Cardizem CD Antitrust Litigation: Berger & Montague served on the Executive Committee of firms appointed to represent the class of direct purchasers of Cardizem CD. The suit charged that Aventis (the brand-name drug manufacturer of Cardizem CD) entered into an illegal agreement to pay Andrx (the maker of a generic substitute to Cardizem CD) millions of dollars to delay the entry of the less expensive generic product. On November 26, 2002, the

district court approved a final settlement against both defendants for \$110 million. (No. 99-MD-1278, MDL No. 1278 (E.D. Mich. 2002)).

In re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation: The firm served as co-lead counsel in this antitrust price-fixing class action on behalf of a class of purchasers of brand name prescription drugs. Following certification of the class by the district court, settlements exceeded \$717 million. (No. 94 C 897 (M.D. Ill. 2000)).

North Shore Hematology-Oncology Assoc., Inc. v. Bristol-Myers Squibb Co.: The firm was one of several prosecuting an action complaining of Bristol Myers's use of invalid patents to block competitors from marketing more affordable generic versions of its life-saving cancer drug, Platinol (cisplatin). The case settled for \$50 million. (No. 1:04CV248 (EGS) (D.D.C. 2004)).

In re Catfish Antitrust Litig. Action: The firm was co-trial counsel in this action which settled with the last defendant a week before trial, for total settlements approximating \$27 million. (No. 2:92CV073-D-O, MDL No. 928 (N.D. Miss. 1995)).

In re Carbon Dioxide Antitrust Litigation: The firm was co-trial counsel in this antitrust class action which settled with the last defendant days prior to trial for total settlements approximating \$53 million, plus injunctive relief. (MDL No. 940 (M.D. Fla. 1995)).

In re Infant Formula Antitrust Litigation: The firm served as co-lead counsel in an antitrust class action where settlement was achieved two days prior to trial, bringing the total settlement proceeds to \$125 million. (MDL No. 878 (N.D. Fla. 1992)).

Red Eagle Resources Corp., Inc., v. Baker Hughes, Inc.: The firm was a member of the plaintiffs' executive committee in this antitrust class action which yielded a settlement of \$52.5 million. (C.A. No. H-91-627 (S.D. Tex. 1991)).

In re Corrugated Container Antitrust Litigation: The firm, led by H. Laddie Montague, was co-trial counsel in an antitrust class action which yielded a settlement of \$366 million, plus interest, following a trial. (MDL No. 310 (S.D. Tex. 1981)).

Bogosian v. Gulf Oil Corp.: With Berger & Montague as sole lead counsel, this landmark action on behalf of a national class of more than 100,000 gasoline dealers against 13 major oil companies led to settlements of over \$35 million plus equitable relief on the eve of trial. (No. 71-1137 (E.D. Pa. 1977)).

In re Master Key Antitrust Litigation: The firm served as co-lead counsel in an antitrust class action that yielded a settlement of \$21 million during trial. (MDL No. 45 (D. Conn. 1977)).

# Environmental/Mass Tort Litigation

In re Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litigation: On September 16, 1994, a jury trial of several months duration resulted in a record punitive damages award of \$5 billion against the Exxon defendants as a consequence of one of the largest oil spills in U.S. history. David Berger was co-chair of the Plaintiffs' Discovery Committee (appointed by both the federal and state courts). H. Laddie Montague was specifically appointed by the federal court as one of the four designated trial counsel. Both Mr. Montague and Peter Kahana shared (with the entire trial team) in the 1995 "Trial Lawyer of the Year Award" given by the Trial Lawyers for Public Justice. (No. A89-0095-CVCHRH (D. Alaska 1996)).

In re Ashland Oil Spill Litigation: The firm served as co-lead counsel and obtained a \$30 million settlement for damages resulting from a very large oil spill. (Master File No. M-14670 (W.D. Pa. 1990)).

In re School Asbestos Litigation: As co-lead counsel, the firm successfully litigated a case in which a nationwide class of elementary and secondary schools and school districts suffering property damage as a result of asbestos in their buildings were provided relief. Pursuant to an approved settlement, the class received \$70 million in cash and \$145 million in discounts toward replacement building materials. (No. 83-0268 (E.D. Pa. 1986)).

#### Health Care/ERISA Litigation

In re Unisys Corp. Retiree Medical Benefits: The firm, as co-lead counsel, handled the presentation of over 70 witnesses, 30 depositions, and over 700 trial exhibits in this action that has resulted in partial settlements of over \$110 million for retirees whose health benefits were terminated. (MDL No. 969 (E.D. Pa. 1998)).

Local 56 U.F.C.W. v. Campbell Soup Co.: The firm represented a class of retired Campbell Soup employees in an ERISA class action to preserve and restore retiree medical benefits. A settlement yielded benefits to the class valued at \$114.5 million. (No. 93-MC-276 (SSB) (D.N.J. 1984)).

# Civil/Human Rights

In re Holocaust Victim Assets Litigation: Through Stephen A. Whinston's membership on the Executive Committee in cases brought by Holocaust survivors against the three largest Switzerland-based banks, this litigation was settled for \$1.25 billion. (105 F. Supp.2d 139 (E.D.N.Y. 2000)).

In re Nazi Era Cases Against German Defendants Litigation: Through the firm's co-lead counsel role, cases against German industry and banks for the use of slave and forced labor during the Nazi era were ultimately settled in the context of international negotiations which created a fund for victims of \$4.5 billion. (198 F.R.D. 429 (D.N.J. 2000)).

#### **Consumer Litigation**

In re Educational Testing Service Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades 7-12 Litigation: The firm served on the plaintiffs' steering committee and obtained an \$11.1 million settlement on behalf of persons who were incorrectly scored on a teacher's licensing exam. (MDL No. 1643 (E.D. La. 2006))

Block v. McDonald's Corporation: The firm served as co-lead counsel and obtained a

settlement of \$12.5 million with McDonald's stemming from its failure to disclose the use of beef fat in its french fries. (No. 01-CH-9137 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cty., Ill. 2002))

Fitz, Inc. v. Ralph Wilson Plastics Co.: The firm served as sole lead counsel and obtained, after 7 years of litigation, a claims-made settlement whereby fabricators could obtain full recoveries for their losses resulting from defendants' defective contact adhesives. (No. 1-94-CV-06017 (D.N.J. 2000))

Parker v. American Isuzu Motors, Inc.: The firm served as sole lead counsel and obtained a claims-made settlement whereby class members recovered up to \$500 for economic damages resulting from accidents caused by faulty brakes. (No. 3476 (CCP Phila. Cty. 2007))

Crawford v. Philadelphia Hotel Operating Co.: The firm served as co-lead counsel and obtained a claims-made settlement whereby persons who contracted food poisoning at a business convention recovered \$1,500 each. (No. 040300070 (CCP Phila, Cty. 2005))

In re TJX Companies Retail Security Breach Litigation: The firm is currently serving as co-lead counsel in this pending litigation brought on behalf of persons and entities whose personal and financial data was compromised in the largest computer theft of personal data in history. (No. 07-10162 (D. MA))

In re Pet Foods Product Liability Litigation: The firm is currently serving as one of plaintiffs' counsel in this class action suit seeking to redress the harm resulting from the manufacture and sale of contaminated dog and cat food. (MDL Docket No. 1850)

#### JUDICIAL PRAISE FOR BERGER & MONTAGUE ATTORNEYS

Berger & Montague's record of successful prosecution of class-actions and other complex litigation has been recognized and commended by judges and arbitrators across the country. Some remarks on the skill, efficiency, and expertise of the firm's attorneys are excerpted below.

# Securities Litigation

From Judge Michael M. Baylson, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"The Court is aware of and attests to the skill and efficiency of class counsel: they have been diligent in every respect, and their briefs and arguments before the Court were of the highest quality. The firm of Berger & Montague took the lead in the Court proceedings; its attorneys were well prepared, articulate and persuasive."

Praising the work of Berger & Montague attorneys including Securities Department Chair Sherrie R. Savett and partners Carole A. Broderick and Barbara A Podell in In re CIGNA Corp. Sec. Litig., 2007 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 51089, \*\*17-18 (E.D. Pa. July 13, 2007)

From Judge Stewart Dalzell, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"Thanks to the nimble class counsel, this sum, which once included securities worth \$149.5 million is now all cash. Seizing on an opportunity Rite Aid presented class counsel first renegotiated what had been stock consideration into Rite Aid Notes and then this year monetized those Notes. Thus, on February 11, 2003, Rite Aid redeemed those Notes from the class, which then received \$145,754,922.00. The class also received \$14,435,104 in interest on the Notes.

"Co-lead counsel ... here were extraordinarily deft and efficient in handling this most complex matter... they were at least eighteen months ahead of the United States

Department of Justice in ferreting out the conduct that ultimately resulted in the write down of over \$1.6 billion in previously reported Rite Aid earnings. In short, it would be hard to equal the skill class counsel demonstrated here."

Praising the work of Berger & Montague attorneys including Securities Department Chair Sherrie R. Savett and partners Carole Broderick and Robin Switzenbaum in *In re* Rite Aid Corp. Securities Litigation, 269 F. Supp. 2d 603, 605 (E.D. Pa. 2003)

From Judge Clarence C. Newcomer, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"...[C]ounsel has conducted this litigation with skill, professionalism and extraordinary efficiency."

Praising the work of Sherrie R. Savett, Securities Department Chair, and Arthur Stock, In Re: Unisys Corporation Securities Litigation, Civil Action No. 99-5333, 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 20160 \*10 (E.D. Pa. Dec. 6, 2001).

From Judge Stewart Dalzell, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"As to 'the skill and efficiency of the attorneys involved,' we can only echo what we said about some of the same lawyers in U.S. Bioscience. The results here are outstanding in a litigation that was far ahead of public agencies like the Securities and Exchange Commission and the United States Department of Justice. . . . At the same time, these attorneys have, through the division of their labors, represented the class most efficiently[.]"

Praising the work of Berger & Montague attorneys including Securities Department Chair, Sherrie R. Savett, in achieving settlements of over \$190 million in In re Rite Aid Inc. Securities Litigation, 146 F. Supp.2d 706, 735 (E.D. Pa. June 8, 2001).

From Judge Marvin Katz, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"Class counsel did a remarkable job in representing the class interests."

Commenting on the work of Berger & Montague attorneys Merrill G. Davidoff, Todd S. Collins and Douglas M. Risen, on the partial settlement for \$111 million approved May, 2000, *In Re: IKON Office Solutions Securities Litigation*, 194 F.R.D. 166, 197 (E.D. Pa. 2000).

From Judge Wayne R. Andersen, of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois:

"...[Y]ou have acted the way lawyers at their best ought to act. And I have had a lot of cases...in 15 years now as a judge and I cannot recall a significant case where I felt people were better represented than they are here ... I would say this has been the best representation that I have seen."

Praising the work of Sherrie R. Savett and Carole A. Broderick, at a hearing in *In Re: Waste Management, Inc. Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 97-C 7709 (N.D. Ill. 1999).

From Judge Stewart Dalzell, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"The quality of lawyering on both sides, but I am going to stress now on the plaintiffs' side, simply has not been exceeded in any case, and we have had some marvelous counsel appear before us and make superb arguments, but they really don't come any better than Mrs. Savett . . . , and the arguments we had on the motion to dismiss [Mrs. Savett argued the motion], both sides were fabulous, but plaintiffs' counsel were as good as they come."

Commenting on the settlement of a securities case litigated by Sherrie R. Savett and Carole A. Broderick, *In re U.S. Bioscience Securities Litigation*, Civil Action No. 92-0678, hearing held April 4, 1994 (E.D. Pa. 1994).

From Judge Joseph F. Anderson, Jr., of the U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina:

"I don't have a problem at all approving the settlement. In light of what you've said today and your submission to the Court and I am familiar with the case ... it was a sharply litigated case, with good lawyers on both sides and I think it's an ideal case for settlement. It's the largest settlement I've been called upon to approve in my eight years as a judge."

Praising the work of Sherrie R. Savett, Securities Department Chair, in achieving a \$32 million settlement in In Re: Policy Management Systems Corporation, Civil Action No. 3:93-0807-17 (D.S.C. 1993).

From Judge Harry R. McCue, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California:

"There can be no doubt that the public good was fully served by the attorneys for the plaintiffs in this case, because they invested their own time, their own money, they invested their special skills and knowledge to vindicate the rights and interests of the thousands of investors who invested their money and placed their trust in the integrity of the securities market. . . . I conclude that the achievement of plaintiffs' counsel under any of those tests was superior."

Concerning the work of Berger & Montague in achieving a \$33 million settlement in *In re* Oak Industries Securities Litigation, 1986 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 20942 (S.D. Cal. 1986).

From Judge John F. Keenan, of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York:

"The quality of work of plaintiffs' counsel on this case is also demonstrated by the efficient manner of prosecution. . . . At the settlement hearing, defense counsel conceded that plaintiffs' counsel constitute the 'cream of the plaintiffs' bar.' The court cannot find fault with that characterization."

Regarding the work of Sherrie R. Savett and Stephen A. Whinston, In re Warner Communications Securities Litigation, 618 F. Supp. 735, 749 (S.D.N.Y. 1985).

#### Antitrust Litigation

From Judge Charles P. Kocoras, of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois:

"The stakes were high here, with the result that most matters of consequence were contested. There were numerous trips to the courthouse, and the path to the trial court and the Court of Appeals frequently traveled. The efforts of counsel for the class has [sic] produced a substantial recovery, and it is represented that the cash settlement alone is the second largest in the history of class action litigation. . . . There is no question that the results achieved by class counsel were extraordinary[.]"

Regarding the work of Berger & Montague shareholders H. Laddie Montague and Peter R. Kahana, among others, in achieving a more than \$700 million settlement with some of the defendants in In Re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation, 2000 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 1734, \*5-6 (N.D. Ill. Feb. 9, 2000).

From Judge Peter J. Messitte, of the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland:

"The experience and ability of the attorneys I have mentioned earlier, in my view in reviewing the documents, which I have no reason to doubt, the plaintiffs' counsel are at the top of the profession in this regard and certainly have used their expertise to craft an extremely favorable settlement for their clients, and to that extent they deserve to be rewarded."

Concerning the work of senior member, Merrill G. Davidoff, as stated in a Settlement Approval Hearing, Oct. 28, 1994. Spawd, Inc. and General Generics v. Bolar Pharmaceutical Co., Inc., CA No. PJM-92-3624.

From Judge Donald W. Van Artsdalen, of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania:

"As to the quality of the work performed, although that would normally be reflected in the not immodest hourly rates of all attorneys, for which one would expect to obtain excellent quality work at all times, the results of the settlements speak for themselves. Despite the extreme uncertainties of trial, plaintiffs' counsel were able to negotiate a cash settlement of a not insubstantial sum, and in addition, by way of equitable relief, substantial concessions by the defendants which, subject to various condition, will afford the right, at least, to lessee-dealers to obtain gasoline supply product from major oil companies and suppliers other than from their respective lessors. The additional benefits obtained for the classes by way of equitable relief would, in and of itself, justify some upward adjustment of the lodestar figure."

Commending the skills of firm then chairman David Berger, shareholder Martin Twersky, and other Berger & Montague attorneys, in Bogosian v. Gulf Oil Corp, 621 F. Supp. 27,31 (E.D. Pa. 1985).

# From Judge Joseph Blumenfeld, of the U.S. District Court of Connecticut:

"The work of the Berger firm showed a high degree of efficiency and imagination, particularly in the maintenance and management of the national class actions."

Referencing the leadership of managing partner H. Laddie Montague, co-lead counsel, in In re Master Key Antitrust Litigation, 1977 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 12948, \*\*34-35 (Nov. 4, 1977).

#### Civil/Human Rights Cases

#### From Deputy Treasury Secretary Stuart E. Eizenstat:

"We must be frank. It was the American lawyers, through the lawsuits they brought in U.S. courts, who placed the long-forgotten wrongs by German companies during the Nazi era on the international agenda. It was their research and their work which highlighted these old injustices and forced us to confront them. Without question, we would not be here without them. . . . For this dedication and commitment to the victims, we should always be grateful to these lawyers."

In his remarks at the July 17, 2000, signing ceremony for the international agreements which established the German Foundation to act as a funding vehicle for the payment of claims to Holocaust survivors. Among the lawyers specifically mentioned for special recognition were Stephen A. Whinston and Edward W. Millstein, both shareholders of the firm.

# Customer/Broker Arbitrations

From Robert E. Conner, Public Arbitrator with the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.:

"... [H]aving participated over the last 17 years in 400 arbitrations and trials in various settings, . . . the professionalism and the detail and generally the civility of everyone involved has been not just a cause for commentary at the end of these proceedings but between ourselves [the arbitration panel] during the course of them, and . . . the detail and the intellectual rigor that went into the documents was fully reflective of the effort that was made in general. I wanted to make that known to everyone and to express my particular respect and admiration."

About the efforts of Berger & Montague shareholders Merrill G. Davidoff and Eric L. Cramer, who achieved a \$1.1 million award for their client, in Steinman v. LMP Hedge Fund, et al., NASD Case No. 98-04152, at Closing Argument, June 13, 2000.

#### FOUNDING PARTNER:

# David Berger (1912-2007)

David Berger was the founder and the Chairman of Berger & Montague. He received his A.B. cum laude in 1932 and his LL.B. cum laude in 1936, both from the University of Pennsylvania. He was a member of The Order of the Coif and was an editor of the University of Pennsylvania Law Review. He had a distinguished scholastic career including being Assistant to Professor Francis H. Bohlen and Dr. William Draper Lewis, Director of the American Law Institute, participating in the drafting of the first Restatement of Torts. He also served as a Special Assistant Dean of the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He was a member of the Board of Overseers of the Law School and Associate Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania. In honor of his many contributions, the Law School established the David Berger Chair of Law for the Improvement of the Administration of Justice.

David Berger was a law clerk for the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. He served as a deputy assistant to Director of Enemy Alien Identification Program of the United States Justice Department during World War II.

Thereafter he was appointed Lt.j.g. in the U.S. Naval Reserve and he served in the South Pacific aboard three aircraft carriers during World War II. He was a survivor of the sinking of the U.S.S. Hornet in the Battle of Santa Cruz, October 26, 1942. After the sinking of the Hornet, Admiral Halsey appointed him a member of his personal staff when the Admiral became Commander of the South Pacific. Mr. Berger was ultimately promoted to Commander. He was awarded the Silver Star and Presidential Unit Citation.

After World War II, he was a law clerk in the United States Court of Appeals. The United States Supreme Court appointed David Berger a member of the committee to draft the Federal Rules of Evidence, the basic evidentiary rules employed in federal courts throughout the United States. David Berger was a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, the International Society of Barristers, and the International Academy of Trial Lawyers, of which he was a former Dean. He was a Life Member of the Judicial Conference of the Third Circuit and the American Law Institute.

A former Chancellor (President) of the Philadelphia Bar Association, he served on numerous committees of the American Bar Association and was a lecturer and author on various legal subjects, particularly in the areas of antitrust, securities litigation, and evidence.

David Berger served as a member of President John F. Kennedy's(special?) committee which designed high speed rail lines between Washington and Boston. He drafted and activated legislation in the Congress of the United States which resulted in the use of federal funds to assure the continuance of freight and passenger lines throughout the United States. When the merger of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the New York Central Railroad, which created the Penn Central Transportation Company, crashed into Chapter 11, David Berger was counsel for Penn Central and a proponent of its reorganization. Through this work, Mr. Berger ensured the survival of the major railroads in the Northeastern section of the United States including Penn Central, New Jersey Central, and others.

Mr. Berger's private practice included clients in London, Paris, Dusseldorf, as well as in Philadelphia, Washington, New York City, Florida, and other parts of the United States. David Berger instituted the first class action in the antitrust field, and for over 30 years he and the Berger firm were lead counsel and/or co-lead counsel in countless class actions brought to successful conclusions, including antitrust, securities, toxic tort and other cases. He served as one of the chief counsel in the litigation surrounding the demise of Drexel Burnham Lambert, in which over \$2.6 billion was recovered for various violations of the securities laws during the 1980s. The recoveries benefitted such federal entities as the FDIC and RTC, as well as thousands of victimized investors.

In addition, Mr. Berger was principal counsel in a case regarding the Three Mile Island accident near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, achieving the first legal recovery of millions of dollars for economic harm caused by the nation's most serious nuclear accident. As part of the award in the case, David Berger established a committee of internationally renowned scientists to determine the effects on human beings of emissions of low level radiation. Several important studies have issued from this committee, some which were used in connection with the Chernobyl disaster.

In addition, as lead counsel in *In re Asbestos School Litigation*, he brought about settlement of this long and vigorously fought action spanning over 13 years for an amount in excess of \$300 million. David Berger was active in Democratic politics. President Clinton appointed David Berger a member of the United States Holocaust Memorial Council, in which capacity he served from 1994-2004. In addition to his having served for seven years as the chief legal officer of Philadelphia, he was a candidate for District Attorney of Philadelphia, and was a Carter delegate in the Convention which nominated President Carter.

Over his lengthy career David Berger was prominent in a great many philanthropic and charitable enterprises some of which are as follows: He was the Chairman of the David Berger Foundation and a long time honorary member of the National Commission of the Anti-Defamation League. He was on the Board of the Jewish Federation of Philadelphia and, at his last place of residence, Palm Beach, as Honorary Chairman of the American Heart Association, Trustee of the American Cancer Society, a member of the Board of Directors of the American Red Cross, and active in the Jewish Federation of Palm Beach County. Among other distinguished entities, David Berger was a member of the Foundation for Art and Preservation in Embassies.

David Berger's principal hobby was tennis, a sport in which he competed for over 60 years. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the International Tennis Hall of Fame and other related organizations for assisting young people in tennis on a world-wide basis.

#### THE SHAREHOLDERS:

# **Harold Berger**

Harold Berger, a former Judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia, is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Electrical Engineering (B.S.E.E. 1948) and the University of Pennsylvania Law School (J.D. 1951). He is a senior partner and managing principal of the firm and serves on its Executive Committee.

He currently serves as a member of the Board of Overseers of the School of Engineering and Applied Science of the University of Pennsylvania. He has served as Chair of the Third Circuit Class Action and Complex Litigation Committee of the Federal Bar Association and is past Chair of the FBA's National Committee on the Federal and State Judiciary. He is the author of numerous law review articles and has lectured extensively before bar associations and at universities. His biography appears in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in American Law and Who's Who in the World. He has been given the highest rating for legal ability as well as the highest rating for ethical standards by the Martindale-Hubbell American legal directory.

Harold Berger has participated in many national litigation and class action matters of a complex nature, including the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litigation, C.A. No. A89-095 (D. Alaska), which resulted in a record punitive damage award of \$5 billion against Exxon after Trial and in which he served on the case management team and as Co-Chair of the national discovery team. He also participated in the In re Three Mile Island Litigation, C.A. No. 79-0432 (M.D. Pa.), where he acted as liaison counsel, and in the nationwide school asbestos property damage class action, In re Asbestos School Litigation, Master File No. 83-0268 (E.D. Pa.), where the firm was co-lead counsel. The case was settled for an amount in excess of \$300 million. He also served as co-lead counsel in the Ashland Oil Spill Litigation, Master File No. M-14670 (W.D. Pa.), as co-lead counsel in the Chrysler Motors Corp. Odometer Litigation, MDL Docket No. 740 (E.D. Mo.), and as lead counsel in the Collins & Aikman Product Liability Class Action, C.A. No. 87-2529 (E.D. Pa.).

Harold Berger is a former member of the State and Federal Court Relations Committee of the National Conference of State Trial Judges and is the recipient of numerous awards including a Special American Bar Association Presidential Program Award and Medal and the Special Service Award of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges. He is the recipient of the Federal Bar Association's National Service Award for distinguished service to the Federal and State Judiciary.

He is a permanent member of the Judicial Conference of the Third Circuit Court of Appeals and served as National Chair of the FBA's Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee.

Recipient of the Alumnus of the Year Award of the Thomas McKean Law Club of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, Harold Berger was honored by the University of Pennsylvania School of Engineering and Applied Science by the dedication of the Honorable Harold Berger Annual Lecture and Award to a technical innovator who has made a lasting contribution to the quality of our lives. He was further honored by the University by the dedication of a student award in his name for engineering excellence.

Harold Berger has served as Chair of the International Conferences on Global Interdependence held at Princeton University. He has served as Chair of the Aerospace Law Committees of the American, Federal and Inter-American Bar Associations and, in recognition of the importance and impact of his scholarly work, was elected to the International Academy of Astronautics in Paris. He is active in law and engineering alumni affairs at Penn, serving on the University of Pennsylvania's Biddle Law Library Advisory Board and as Chair of Friends of Biddle National Campaign. He is a past President of the Eastern District Chapter of the Federal Bar Association and currently serves as Chair of the Chapter's Class Action and Complex Litigation Committees in addition to serving as Chair of the Bench-Bar Liaison Committee.

Long active in diverse, philanthropic, charitable, community and inter-faith endeavors, Harold Berger currently serves as a Trustee of The Federation of Jewish Charities of Greater Philadelphia, as a Director of the National Museum of Jewish History, as a National Director of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society in its endeavors to assist refugees and indigent souls of all faiths, as a Charter Fellow of the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association and as a member of the Hamilton Circle of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation.

# H. Laddie Montague, Jr.

H. Laddie Montague, Jr. is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania (B.A. 1960) and the Dickinson School of Law (L.L.B. 1963) where he was a member of the Board of Editors of the Dickinson Law Review. He is currently Chairman of the Board of Governors for Dickinson School of Law of Penn State University. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the firm having joined its predecessor David Berger, P.A. at its inception in 1970. He is a managing principal and shareholder of the firm and is Chairman of the Antitrust Department.

In addition to being one of the courtroom trial counsel for plaintiffs in the mandatory punitive damage class action in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litigation, Mr. Montague has served as lead or co-lead counsel in many class actions, including In re Infant Formula Antitrust Litigation (1993) and Bogosian v. Gulf Oil Corp., a nationwide class action against thirteen major oil companies (1984). Mr. Montague is co-lead counsel for the State of Connecticut in its litigation against the tobacco industry.

Mr. Montague was one of four co-lead counsel in In re Brand Name Prescription Drugs Antitrust Litigation, M.D.L. 997 (N.D. Ill.) and was one of three co-lead counsel in In Re High Fructose Corn Syrup Antitrust Litigation, M.D.L. No. 1087 (C.D. Ill.). In addition to the Exxon Valdez Litigation, he has tried several complex, protracted cases to jury, including two class actions: In re Master Key Antitrust Litigation, (1977) and In re Corrugated Container Antitrust Litigation (1980). For his work as trial counsel in the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Litigation, Mr. Montague shared the Trial Lawyers for Public Justice 1995 Trial Lawyer of the Year Award.

Mr. Montague has frequently lectured on class action litigation for the Practicing Law Institute, the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and before other associations. He has taught a Complex Litigation Course at Temple University Law School and has been a panelist at the Federal Bench-Bar Conference for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Mr. Montague was a member of the 1984 faculty of the Columbia Law School Continuing Legal Educational Program entitled "The Trial of an Antitrust Case." Mr. Montague has testified before Congress with respect to antitrust and business fraud legislation, including the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act ("RICO"). He is currently a member of the Advisory Board of the Antitrust & Trade Regulation Report published by the Bureau of National Affairs.

#### Sherrie R. Savett

# Summary

Sherrie R. Savett, Chair of the Securities Litigation Department, and member of the Management Committee of the law firm of Berger & Montague, has practiced in the area of securities litigation and class actions since 1975. Seven securities class actions in which Ms. Savett served as lead counsel, are among the 100 largest securities class actions settled in the history of the federal securities laws. She has advanced investor protection by helping to establish several significant legal precedents. Ms. Savett speaks and writes often on professional topics, and is also a business and community leader.

# **Securities Litigation**

Ms. Savett serves or has served as lead or co-lead counsel or as a member of the executive committee in a large number of important securities and consumer class actions in federal and state courts across the country, including:

(Civil Action No. 95-20750 (N.D. Cal. 1998))\* Alcatel Alsthom (class settlement of \$75 million); (Master Docket No. 99-1263 (E.D. Tex. 2001)) BankAmerica (derivative settlement of \$39.25 million); (Civil Action No. 85-4779 (C.D. Cal. 1987)) Boston Chicken (class settlement of \$21.5 million); (Civil Action No. 97-1308 (D. Colo. 2006)) Bristol-Myers Squibb (class settlement of \$20 million); (Civil Action No. 92-4007 (S.D.N.Y. 1994))

Advanced Micro Devices (class settlement of \$11.5 million);

CIGNA (class settlement of \$93 million);

Cephalon (class settlement of \$17 million): (Civil Action No. 96-0633 (E.D. Pa. 1999))

<sup>\*</sup>Dates represent the year of settlement. The settlement year for cases that include multiple settlements reflects the first settlement in time.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Listed among the 100 largest securities class action settlements in the United States since the enactment of the 1933-1934 securities acts.

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(Civil Action No. 2:02-8088 (E.D. Pa. 2007))<sup>2</sup>
Coastal Physician Group (class settlement of $8.15 million);
(Civil Action No. 1:95-0036 (1998 M.D.N.C.))
Crocker Shareholder Litigation (class settlement of $35 million);
(Civil Action No. 7405 (Del. Ch. 1985))
Employee Solutions (class settlement valued at $15 million);
(Civil Action No. 97-545 (D. Ariz. 1999))
Fidelity/Micron (class settlement of $10 million);
(Civil Action No. 95-12676 (D. Mass. 1997))
Fleming Companies (class settlement of $94 million):
(MDL No. 1530 (E.D. Tex. 2005))<sup>2</sup>
Genentech (class settlement of $29 million);
(Civil Action No. 88-4038 (N.D. Cal. 1991))
Global Crossing (class settlement of $444 million (partial));
(Civil Action No. 02-910 (S.D.N.Y. 2006))<sup>2</sup>
Home Shopping Network (class settlement of $18.2 million);
(Civil Action No. 87-428 (M.D. Fla. 1991))
Long Island Lighting (class settlement of $48.5 million);
(Civil Action No. 84-0588 (E.D.N.Y. 1988))
Marconi (class settlement of $7.1 million);
(Civil Action No. 01-1259 (W.D. Pa. 2003))
Medaphis/Deloitte & Touche (class settlement of $96.5 million);
(Civil Action Nos. 96-2088 (N.D. Ga. 1997) and 97-3183 (N.D. Ga. 2000))<sup>2</sup>
MicroWarehouse (class settlement valued at $30 million);
(Civil Action No. 96-1920 (D. Conn. 1998))
Motorola (class settlement of $15 million);
(Civil Action No. 90-5887 (N.D. III. 1995))
Oak Industries (class settlement in excess of $35 million);
(Civil Action No. 83-0536 (S.D. Cal. 1983))
Plains All American Pipeline LP (class settlement of $24.1 million);
(Civil Action No. 99-4136 (S.D. Tex. 2001))
Policy Management (class settlement of $32 million);
(Civil Action No. 3:93-0807 (D.S.C. 1995))
Policy Management II (class settlement of $7.75 million);
(Civil Action No. 94-1150 (D.S.C. 2001))
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Public Service Company of New Mexico (class and derivative settlements of $33 million);
(Civil Action No. 91-0536 (S.D. Cal. 1992))
Raychem (class settlement of $19.5 million);
(Civil Action No. 89-20801 (N.D. Cal. 1992))
Rite Aid (class settlement of $334 million);
(Civil Action No. 99-1349 (E.D. Pa. 2003))<sup>2</sup>
Safety-Kleen (class settlement of $44.5 million achieved two days before trial);
(Civil Action No. 3:00-736-17 (D.S.C. 2001))
Shopko Stores (class settlement of $4.9 million);
(Civil Action No. 01-1034 (D. Wis. 2004))
SmithKline Beckman (class settlement of $22 million);
(Civil Action No. 88-7474 (E.D. Pa. 1990))
Sotheby's Holdings (class settlement of $70 million);
(Civil Action No. 00-1041 (S.D. N.Y. 2001))<sup>2</sup>
Summit Technology (class settlement of $10 million);
(Civil Action No. 96-11589 (D. Mass. 2001))
Sunrise Medical (class settlement of $20 million);
(Civil Action No. 95-3605 (S.D. Cal. 1996))
Subaru (class settlement of $70 million);
(Civil Action No. MD 0016-90 (N.J. Super. 1991))
Synergen (class settlement of $28 million);
(Civil Action No. 93B-402 (D. Colo. 1995))
U.S. Bioscience (class settlement valued at $15.25 million);
(Civil Action No. 92-678 (E.D. Pa. 1994))
United HealthCare (class settlement of $20.1 million);
(Civil Action No. 98-1888 (D. Minn. 2000))
United Telecommunications (class settlement of $28 million);
(Civil Action No. 90-2251 (D. Kan. 1994))
Valujet (class settlement of $5 million);
(Civil Action No. 1:96-1355 (N.D. Ga. 1999))
W.R. Grace (derivative settlement of $8.5 million):
(Civil Action No. 95-9003 (S.D. N.Y. 1998))
Waste Management (class settlement of $220 million); and
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(Civil Action No. 97-7709 (N.D. III. 1999))

Xcel Energy (class settlement of \$80 million).

(Civil Action No. 02-2627 (D. Minn. 2005))<sup>2</sup>

#### **Investor Protection**

Ms. Savett has helped establish several significant precedents. Among them is the holding (the first ever in a federal appellate court) that municipalities are subject to the anti-fraud provisions of SEC Rule 10b-5 under § 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and that municipalities that issue bonds are not acting as an arm of the state and therefore are not entitled to immunity from suit in the federal courts under the Eleventh Amendment. Sonnenfeld v. City and County of Denver, 100 F.3d 744 (10th Cir.1996).

In the U.S. Bioscience securities class action, a biotechnology case where critical discovery was needed from the federal Food and Drug Administration, the court ruled that the FDA may not automatically assert its administrative privilege to block a subpoena and may be subject to discovery depending on the facts of the case. In re U.S. Bioscience Secur. Litig., 150 F.R.D. 80 (E.D. Pa. 1993)

In the CIGNA Corp. Securities Litigation, the Court denied defendants' motion for summary judgment, holding that a plaintiff has a right to recover for losses on shares held at the time of a corrective disclosure and his gains on a stock should not offset his losses in determining legally recoverable damages. In re CIGNA Corp. Securities Litigation, 459 F. Supp. 2d 338 (E.D. Pa. 2006).

# **Professional Leadership**

Ms. Savett is active in her profession, and is a frequent author and lecturer on prosecuting shareholder and consumer class actions. She was formerly on the board of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation.

In May 2007, Ms. Savett spoke at the conference presented by the Litigation Committee of the Dispute Resolution Section of the International Bar Association and the Section of International Law of the American Bar Association on class certification. Ms. Savett participated in a mock hearing

before a United States Court on whether to certify a worldwide class action that includes large numbers of European class members.

She has lectured at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and at the Stanford Law School on prosecuting shareholder class actions. She is frequently invited to present and serve as panelist in American Bar Association, American Law Institute/American Bar Association and Practicing Law Institute (PLI) conferences on securities class action litigation and the use of class actions in consumer litigation. She has been a presenter and panelist at PLI's Securities Litigation and Enforcement Institute annually since 1995. She has also spoken at major institutional investor and insurance industry conferences, and DRI -- the Voice of the Defense Bar.

She has written numerous articles on securities and complex litigation issues, including:

"Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," 1557 PLI, September 2006

"Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," 1505 PLI. September 2005

"Recent Developments in the Lead Plaintiff and Lead Counsel Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act (PSLRA)," 1 Securities Litigation Report, (Glasser LegalWorks) December 2004-January 2005

"Primary Liability of 'Secondary' Actors under the PSLRA," 1 Securities Litigation Report, (Glasser) November 2004

"Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," 1442 PLI/Corp.13, September-October 2004

"Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," SJ084 ALI-ABA 399, May 13-14, 2004

"The 'Indispensable Tool' of Shareholder Suits," Directors & Boards, Vol. 28, February 18, 2004.

- "Plaintiff's Perspective on How to Obtain Class Certification in Federal Court in a Non-Federal Question Case", 679 PLI, August 2002.
- "Hurdles in Securities Class Actions: The Impact of Sarbanes-Oxley from a Plaintiff's Perspective," 9 Securities Litigation and Regulation Reporter (Andrews), December 23, 2003.
- "Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," SG091 ALI-ABA, May 2-3, 2002.
- "Securities Class Actions Since the 1995 Reform Act: A Plaintiff's Perspective," SF86 ALI-ABA 1023, May 10, 2001.
- "Greetings from the Plaintiffs' Class Action Bar: We'll Be Watching," SE082 ALI-ABA739, May 11, 2000.
- "Preventing Financial Fraud," B0-00E3 PLI BO-00E3 April-May 1999
- "Shareholders Class Actions in the Post Reform Act Era," SD79 ALI-ABA 893, April 30, 1999
- "What to Plead and How to Plead the Defendant's State of Mind in a Federal Securities Class Action," with Arthur Stock, PLI, ALI/ABA 7239, November 1998
- "The Merits Matter Most: Observations on a Changing Landscape under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995," 39 Arizona Law Review 525, 1997
- "Everything David Needs to Know to Battle Goliath." ABA Tort & Insurance Practice Section, The Brief, Vol. 20, No.3, Spring 1991
- "The Derivative Action: An Important Shareholder Vehicle for Insuring Corporate Accountability in Jeopardy, "PLI H4-0528, September 1, 1987
- "Prosecution of Derivative Actions: A Plaintiff's Perspective," PLI H4-5003, September 1, 1986

#### Honors

Ms. Savett is widely recognized as a leading litigator and a top female leader in the profession by local and national legal rating organizations.

The Legal Intelligencer and Pennsylvania Law Weekly named her one of the "56 Women Leaders in the Profession" in 2004.

In 2004 and 2005, Berger & Montague was named to the National Law Journal's "Hot List" of 12-20 law firms nationally "who specialize in plaintiffs' side litigation and have excelled in their achievements". Ms. Savett's achievements were mentioned, among others.

Ms. Savett was named a "Pennsylvania Top 50 Female Super Lawyer" and a "Pennsylvania Super Lawyer" from 2004 through 2006 by Philadelphia Magazine after an extensive nomination and polling process among Pennsylvania lawyers.

In 2006 and 2007, she was named one of the 500 leading litigators and leading plaintiffs' litigators in the United States by Lawdragon.

# **Business and Community Leadership**

A business leader, Ms. Savett is on the Board of Directors of Pennsylvania Business Bank, and is a member of The Forum of Executive Women.

Ms. Savett is active in community affairs, serving for decades on the Board of Trustees of The Jewish Federation of Philadelphia. She is on the Board of the National Liberty Museum, and is Chairperson of the Southeastern Pennsylvania State of Israel Bonds and is a member of the National Cabinet of Israel Bonds. In 2005, she received The Spirit of Jerusalem Medallion, the State of Israel Bonds' highest honor. She is a former board member of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Weizman Institute, and the American Jewish Committee.

# Education